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REMARKSClaim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-72 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Desai, et al. (U.S. Pat. 6,412,705). Claims 1, 15, and 31 have been amended to more clearly indicate that the apparatus of the present invention controls both injection rate shaping and acts to minimize noise emissions induced at landing of the intensifier. The language has been strengthened by the addition of language directed at controlling the liftoff of the intensifier and controlling the landing of the intensifier. The device of the present application has dual purposes and structure for effecting the dual purposes noted above. In distinction, the device of Desai is directed solely at effecting rate shaping. This occurs only at the initiation of the pressurizing stroke of the intensifier. There is no discussion or structure related to controlling the landing of the intensifier or of controlling noise emissions induced at landing of the intensifier at the end of the return stroke of the intensifier. Claim 60 clearly annunciates this difference between the Desai reference and the method of the present application. In view of this, it is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

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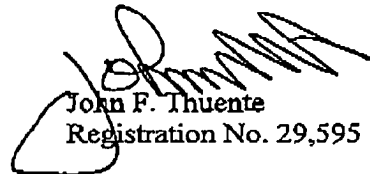
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Claims 1-72 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 15, and 31 are amended.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

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